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From: Corey York
Sent: Thursday, August 02, 2012 4:01 PM
To: Manager Department
Cc: Highway Department; Stephen Barrett; Brian McMullen; Doug Halley
Subject: RE: Transfer Station - Sticker Program - Fee Analysis
Attachments: 2012-08-01 - MEMO - Transfer Station - Fee Analysis.pdf

Attached is the recommendation for the user fees at the Transfer Station that begins in early September. Town Finance has reviewed the information listed in my memo. The recommendation is for a \$10.00 increase in the full use sticker fee from \$200 to \$210 and that all other transfer station fees remain unchanged. This will ensure funding will be available for future capital replacement within the transfer station.

In addition to the existing fee structure, we would like to recommend a pilot program for Senior Citizens that only want to recycle at the Town's Transfer Station and Recycling Facility. We would like to offer a Senior Citizen Recycling Only sticker for a \$20 fee to promote recycling in Acton.

Let me know if you need any additional information.

*Thank You,
Corey York, DPW Director / Town Engineer*

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**TOWN OF ACTON
INTERDEPARTMENTAL COMMUNICATION**

Date: August 2, 2012

To: Steven L. Ledoux, Town Manager

From: Engineering Department
Corey York, Town Engineer/Director of Public Works

Re: Transfer Station: Sticker Fee Recommendation

We've met with the Finance Departments to review the recommendation for the fees at the Transfer Station and Recycling Facility for the upcoming program beginning on September 1, 2012. Below are the actual FY12 figures for the Transfer Station Budget:

- FY12 Total Income \$680,418
- FY12 Total Expenses \$669,494

The FY2013 budget approved and recommended by the Board of Selectmen, including capital, is \$803,921. With no increase in sticker fees the anticipated money available for future capital will be less than the projected funds needed to maintain the Transfer Station and Recycling equipment. The Town has also recently agreed to a new contract for our Municipal Solid Waste and these savings have been factored into our analysis for this recommendation. My recommendation is for a \$10.00 increase in the full use sticker fee from \$200 to \$210 and that all other transfer station fees remain unchanged. This will ensure funding will be available for future capital replacement within the transfer station.

In addition to the existing fee structure, we would like to recommend a pilot program for Senior Citizens that only want to recycle at the Town's Transfer Station and Recycling Facility. We have received some interest from a resident at Audubon Hill. We would like to offer a Senior Citizen Recycling Only sticker for a \$20 fee to promote recycling in Acton.